



# Wingspread

## East meets west across Harmon Drive

### *New B Street East to open in time for Aug. 22 start of school year*



New B Street East (near top center of photo) will provide access across Harmon Drive when it reopens to traffic next week in time for the start of the school year Aug. 22. The area south of New B Street East up to and including Washington Circle will also reopen soon. (Photo by Don Lindsey)

By Jennifer Valentin  
Wingspread staff writer

The east side of the base will be connected to the west side of the base across Harmon Drive next week for the first time in more than four months.

New B Street East will be open to traffic in time for the Aug. 22 start of the school year, announced Harmon Drive construction officials this week.

New B Street East runs between the housing office and elementary school on the east side of the base at Harmon Drive and connects across the drive to the roadway between the service station and Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union on the west side of the base.

The traffic flow on New B Street East will revert to two-way traffic as it was prior to the start of the Harmon Drive construction project in April 2004.

Project officials also announced the section of Harmon Drive south of New B Street and Washington Circle will also be open for traffic in the near future.

"The opening of Harmon Drive at New B Street will allow parents to have easier access to the elementary school from the west side of the base," said David Gibbs, elementary school vice principal. "It should help ease congestion at the morning drop-off times and afternoon pick-up times."

As sections of the construction project are completed and returned to the base for use, safety officials urge caution with the changes in traffic flow incorporating roadways that have been closed for some time.

The reopening of New B Street East and eventually the southern portion of Harmon Drive up to and including Washington Circle completes the first portion of the entire project that should wrap up by the end of the year.

"We anticipate the Main Gate and Harmon Drive will reopen by the beginning of December," said Dwight Micklethwait, project engineer for the 12th Civil Engineer Division.

## DoD launches readiness library

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AFPN) – Servicemembers, their families and their health-care providers have a new online Department of Defense resource for deployment health issues.

The DoD's Deployment Health Risk Communication Working Group and the Joint Task Force for Family Readiness Education on Deployments have joined together to create the Deployment Health and Family Readiness Library.

Ellen Embrey, deputy assistant secretary of defense for force health protection and readiness, announced the new online library Tuesday. It is intended to provide servicemembers, families and health-care providers a quick and easy way to find information about deployment health and family readiness.

"Information is a powerful tool. We must remain proactive in providing deployment-related health information to better safeguard our servicemembers," she said. "Most people fear

the unknown. Through accurate, timely information we are able to ensure that our servicemembers are better equipped to prepare for, cope with, and recover from the myriad health risks faced during deployments."

The online library includes fact sheets, guides and other products on a wide variety of health topics. The topic listing was based on feedback from servicemembers, their families and health-care providers, Ms. Embrey said.

"We are absolutely committed to providing the best information found in sound science and based on medical evidence," Ms. Embrey said. "We want this site to be the authoritative source for deployment health and family readiness information. This is another step we are taking to ensure that those who protect our country and our freedoms are also protected."

To visit the online library, go to <http://deployment-healthlibrary.fhp.osd.mil/home.jsp>.

**AETC announces new mission statement**

Air Education and Training Command announced new mission and vision statements Thursday.

**Mission Statement**  
Develop America's Airmen today  
... for tomorrow

**Vision Statement**  
Deliver unrivaled Air and Space Education and Training

12th Flying Training Wing Training Status											
Pilot Instructor Training <div>As of Monday</div>			Navigator, EWO Students					Wing Flying Hour Program			
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Squadron	Seniors	Overall	CSO/NFO		CSO		Graduate EWO	T-1A	10042.8	10417.8	12,034
99th FTS	0.1	0.0	USAF	236	OPS	32	International 6	T-6A	14211.2	14834.9	17,290
558th FTS	-2.5	-4.3	Navy	55	Advanced EW	23	EW Course 0	T-37B	7573.6	7762.5	8,444
559th FTS	-8.0	-2.2	International	3	Integration	22	Intro to EW 0	T-38C	8217.0	8418.6	10,204
560th FTS	0.4	-0.3	Total in Training	294		77	6	T-43	3581.0	3688.0	4,293
Numbers reflect days ahead or behind for senior pilot instructor training class and an average for all PIT classes currently in training.			Numbers reflect students currently in training. The 562nd shows source of combat systems officer students. Air Force students include Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard. The 563rd indicates students in specific courses.					The required and flown numbers reflect hours flown between Oct. 1, 2004 to date. The annual numbers are total hours for fiscal year 2005.			

**AIR AND SPACE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE**

As of Monday, 57 Team Randolph members are deployed in support of military operations around the globe

Forty-three Randolph senior airmen picked for promotion, see page 4



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**Commander's Action Line**

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While our goal is to provide the best programs, products and services to our customers, there will be instances when people believe we could have served them better. In those cases, I ask the individual to first contact the responsible organization to allow the unit commander or manager an opportunity to ensure professional and impartial treatment.

When those officials are unable to provide satisfaction, the individual may contact me through the Action Line. I will ensure each Action Line call is looked into and a reply is given by telephone or in writing. I ask callers to include their name and telephone number so we may send a personal response.

Col. John Hesterman  
12th Flying Training Wing commander

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12th FTW Legal Office	652-6781
Base Exchange	674-8917
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Civilian Pay	652-6480
Commissary	652-5102
EEO Complaints	652-3749
Equal Opportunity	652-4376
FW&A Hotline	652-3665
Housing Maintenance	652-1856
Military Pay	652-1851
Randolph Clinic	652-2933
Safety Office	652-2224
Security Forces	652-5509
Services	652-5971
Sexual Assault	
Response Coordinator	652-8787
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For more information about submissions, call 652-5760 or base ext. 7-5760.

**New shop a thing of beauty**

**Q** First of all, please accept my heartfelt appreciation for the renovations made to the Randolph Beauty Salon at the base exchange. It is truly becoming a first-class operation and a more comfortable place to visit. Of the many improvements, I have noticed the newly installed satellite television service. Thank you for that, as the TV reception in the past was not very good.

However, I noticed there are no local stations programmed. Is there any way to add local channels to the TV lineup at the beauty salon?

**A** Please accept my sincere thanks on behalf of the staff at the beauty salon and the management of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service here at Randolph. As a result of your message to the Action Line, AAFES called the satellite TV provider and discovered local channels were already available on the new system in the beauty salon. The staff at the salon was

**BRAC: Maximizes warfighting capabilities, enhances joint military operations**

By Gen. John Jumper  
Air Force Chief of Staff

The Department of Defense recently released the largest BRAC proposal in our history, including the recommendation to close 10 Air Force installations and realign 62 more. These changes maximize our warfighting capabilities, realign our infrastructure within the future defense strategy, eliminate excess physical capacity and capitalize on opportunities for joint operations.

They also include a concept called "joint basing" where two or more adjacent or nearby DoD installations are run by a designated service – be it Army, Navy or Air Force. By consolidating installation support services at conjoined or nearby bases under one Military Department, the DoD hopes to save \$2.3 billion over 20 years.

Under this BRAC recommendation, the Air Force will become the lead installation support provider at six locations (Charleston Air Force Base and Naval Weapons Station Charleston, S.C.; Joint Base McGuire and Fort Dix, N.J.; Joint Base Andrews, Md., and Naval Air Facility Washington, D.C.; Joint Base Elmendorf and Richardson, Alaska; Lackland, Randolph and Fort Sam Houston; and Langley AFB and Fort Eustis, Va.) The Air Force will be the supported service at one Army (Joint Base Lewis and McChord, Wash.) and three Navy locations (Joint Base Pearl Harbor and Hickam, Hawaii; Navy Guam and Andersen AFB, Guam, and Joint Base Anacostia, Bolling and Naval



Gen. John Jumper

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Research Laboratory, Washington, D.C.)

Modern warfare is joint warfare. In addition to saving scarce funds, this move to joint basing will allow us to build closer relationships and forge stronger ties between services. We will not only train as we fight, we will live as we fight.

The Air Force has a long and successful history of working toward common goals in a joint environment without compromising Air Force principles and the well being of our people – joint basing will be no different. Our guiding precepts as we move forward with joint basing are:

not familiar enough with the system yet to know that, but they have since received training on how to operate the equipment.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback about one of our base service organizations. AAFES appreciates your comments and relies on interaction with customers to continuously refine and improve their operations. Other customers who want to provide feedback to AAFES can call Kevin Lanham at 674-8965 or e-mail [lanhamk@aafes.com](mailto:lanhamk@aafes.com).

- Maintain uncompromised warfighting capability, including expeditionary combat support forces
- Preserve our installations as fighting positions and training platforms for our expeditionary force
- Airmen will command Airmen – our unity of command at home station will remain intact
- Airmen open and operate airfields – airfields will be operated and maintained by Airmen
- Provide quality services at the best value

Establishing joint bases will take time. We are working with the Army and Navy to ensure that we do it smartly and are mindful of the lessons learned from past joint basing initiatives. The Office of the Secretary of Defense expects to establish the basic implementation policy by the end of this summer, with work on common standards and metrics continuing in the following months.

Together, we will undertake pilot projects to explore how to best establish mutually acceptable joint basing agreements. However, until these projects are complete and BRAC is signed into law, it is premature to enter into any additional cooperative or inter-service joint basing agreements.

Joint basing will neither lower our standards nor compromise our warfighting capabilities. Combining capabilities and eliminating unnecessary duplication and redundancy will save scarce funds and result in more efficient installations from which we, and our sister services, will more effectively project combat power for our Nation.

**Congratulations Retirees**

**Today**

**Tech. Sgt. Eugenio Rodriguez**  
Air Education and Training Command

Retirement announcements should be submitted to the Wingspread office by noon Friday two weeks prior to the desired date of publication. E-mail announcements to [randolph.retiree.messages@randolph.af.mil](mailto:randolph.retiree.messages@randolph.af.mil) or fax them to 652-5412. For more information, call the Wingspread office at 652-5760.



# Conflict resolution reflects maturity level in marriage

By Chaplain (Col.) Tom Schenk  
22nd Air Refueling Wing

MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE, Kan. (AFPN) – Domestic violence is a continuing plague in homes across America.

Unfortunately, Air Force homes are not immune. There is some indication that domestic violence is increasing among our Airmen. Undoubtedly, the stress of numerous deployments has fueled the increase. That need not be the case, however.

Sacred scripture states that arguing, especially arguing that descends into violence, reflects immaturity. Immature people lack a proper understanding of conflict. Therefore, they mishandle it, leading to arguing, fighting and even violence.

As one who has argued more than I should in my 31 years of marriage, I have found sacred scripture to be right on. I argue with my spouse not because of conflict, but because of my immaturity. How does a mature person understand and handle conflict?

First, he or she expects conflict. The Creator has designed spouses differently, beginning with gender. Beyond gender, however, internal wiring – our gifts and abilities, our passions, our personalities, our life experiences – are different.

One is foolish to think that two very different people can live closely together without conflict. Conflict descends into arguing and violence when one is surprised and unprepared for it. Mature people are never surprised by conflict. They expect it.

Second, a mature person respects conflict. While marriage is full of delight, it is also full of danger. Part of the danger is conflict. If you are unprepared and untrained for conflict, it will erupt into arguing and violence, blowing up your relationship.

No one would do convoy duty in Iraq without proper training to deal with improvised explosive devices. To do so would be foolish. In the same vein, to drive down the road of marriage without conflict training is just as foolish. Mature people expect and respect conflict, so they make sure they are trained to defuse it.

Third, a mature person appreciates conflict. Unlike a roadside improvised explosive devise, there is a good side to conflict. Both men and women crave intimacy. They want to love and be loved, to honor and be honored, to know and be known – not on a surface level, but down deep, to the core of their being. Mature people understand that you cannot achieve this kind of intimacy without conflict. Conflict is the price to be paid to become intimate with another person.

When I reveal my deepest self to my wife, she will be surprised and shocked by what she sees in me, and vice versa. Sometimes the shock comes because what we see is "bad." But most often we are shocked because it is just different.

Mature people are willing to shock and be shocked in order to be close. To avoid conflict is to avoid intimacy. Mature people understand conflict is the pathway to drawing close to one's spouse.

Finally, a mature person utilizes conflict. While respecting its dangers, the mature person appreciates its benefits. Therefore, the mature person utilizes conflict to improve his or her marriage. He or she does so by learning to handle conflict in such a way that it doesn't blow up, but rather builds up the marriage.

Proper handling of conflict begins with communication. The mature person doesn't shout to be heard, but becomes silent to hear. The mature person seeks first to understand before trying to be understood. The mature person doesn't argue a case, but rather seeks a connection.

Conflict invites domestic violence into your home. If mishandled, it inflicts hurt on all involved. Properly handled, however, it brings a new intimacy into your marriage. Your maturity determines which occurs. How mature are you?

## Liberty and justice for all requires time, sacrifice

By Capt. Tracey Howell-LaPalme  
407th Expeditionary Contracting  
Squadron commander

ALI BASE, Iraq (AFPN) -- "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with ..."

On Sept. 16, 1996, I spoke those words along with 3,000 other immigrants. As I cradled my 6-week-old daughter in my left arm, I held up my right hand to be sworn in as one of America's newest citizens. That day was a defining moment in my life.

I had left England six years before to

come to the United States in the hope of seeking independence and opportunities that, because of my "class," I could scarcely hope for in my native country.

I had always felt the pull of military service calling to me. But it wasn't until I came to America that I knew this was where I belonged.

I was finally home.

The United States was a country born out of repression that took patriots from our nation – ordinary men and women – and asked them to give of themselves completely and unselfishly to gain our country's liberty.

Now, I find myself serving beside the

men and women of Ali Base, in a country that has suffered for many years and is beginning an unfamiliar journey toward a new and free Iraq.

Like our nation's forefathers, the men and women of Iraq struggle bravely for democracy. And just as America needed help during its Revolutionary War from its "coalition partners," so, too, does Iraq.

Iraqis need our help to bring stability to their country while they draft a constitution and rebuild their economy. The leaders of their fledgling government, under a daily threat of death, fight to achieve a unified Iraq where human rights are valued and political differences are respected.

So let us not forget that the freedoms we enjoy today were not gained in one day, just as the freedoms of the Iraqi people will take many years to achieve.

As Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafar told the United Nations, "The children of Iraq are just like yours – they don't want to lose their fathers. The women of Iraq are just like yours – they don't want to lose their husbands."

No one said this struggle was going to be easy. We know from experience that it's not. But one thing's for sure, every single one of us here today, through our love and devotion for our great nation, is willing to sacrifice so that one day Iraq, like us, will be free to enjoy "liberty and justice for all."

### News

## Senate confirms new vice chief of staff

The Senate confirmed Lt. Gen. John D. W. Corley on Aug. 1 as the next Air Force vice chief of staff. He will be promoted to the rank of general.

General Corley, who is currently the principal deputy for the assistant secretary of the Air Force for acquisition, will replace Gen. T.

Michael Moseley. The senate confirmed General Moseley as the next Air Force chief of staff July 1.

General Corley entered the Air Force in 1973 and has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels. He has more than 3,000 flying hours with combat experience.

As combined air operations center

director supporting Operation Enduring Freedom, General Corley coordinated more than 11,000 combat missions striking more than 4,700 targets.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal.



Lt. Gen. John D. W. Corley

## Air Force seeks applicants for IAS program

Air Force officials are looking to develop a cadre of Air Force officers with international insight, foreign language proficiency and cultural understanding to work in today's security and expeditionary operations environment.

The Air Force will select officers at the midcareer point, normally seven to 12 years, and deliberately develop them and use them in demanding international and political-military assignments as international affairs specialists.

"The IAS program is a tremendous developmental opportunity for Airmen desiring challenging and rewarding assignments in the international or political-military environment," said Maj. Frank Swekosky, the IAS assignments officer at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

Officers will be nominated by their development team for an IAS secondary career path and receive formal training and education with follow-on assignments on one of two development paths.

Path 1, the political-military affairs strategist, offers a well-managed career broadening opportunity to gain international experience. Path 2, the regional affairs strategist, places officers on a more demanding developmental opportunity with multiple IAS assignments. Officers on this path will develop into regional experts with professional language skills.

Regional affairs assignments generally will alternate with primary specialty code assignments and ideally complement primary specialty career development.

Officers interested in applying for this program can submit a Transition-Officer Development Plan through their reviewer to their specialty code assignments and functional development team by Aug. 31 expressing a desire for regional affairs development.

Officers interested in RAS consideration must take the Defense Language Aptitude Battery. To do this,

they can contact testing officials at their military personnel flights.

The first selection process for regional affairs development will begin in September. Selected officers will begin training in spring or summer of 2006.

"Senior Defense Department and Air Force leaders need Airmen with international insight, foreign language proficiency and cultural understanding – all crucial force multipliers that will significantly increase the effectiveness of air and space power," Major Swekosky said.

For more information on the IAS program, log onto the IAS Web site on the Air Force Portal at [www.my.af.mil/iaw](http://www.my.af.mil/iaw). For more qualifications or eligibility information, officers can contact their appropriate assignments and development team or the IAS assignments team at the personnel center at 565-4071.

(Courtesy of AFPC News Service)

# AF announces staff sergeant promotions

Forty-three Randolph senior airmen received the good news Wednesday that they are on the staff sergeant promotion list.

They are among the 14,614 selected of 36,405 senior airmen eligible Air Force-wide for a 40.14 percent selection rate.

"These senior airmen have shown they are ready for the next milestone

in their career," said Chief Master Sgt. Dale Kenney, enlisted promotion and military testing chief at the Air Force Personnel Center here. "This group has demonstrated through performance and preparation the desire to serve as our newest NCOs."

Members who tested can view their score notice on the virtual Military Personnel Flight.

Score notices allow Airmen to see how their Promotion Fitness Examination and Specialty Knowledge Test scores rank against those they're directly competing with for promotion within their Air Force Specialty Code.

The entire list of selectees is posted on [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/).

### Staff Sergeant Selects

#### 12th Flying Training Wing

LaShawne Burr  
Jeffrey Jordan  
Timothy Vidal  
James Warren

#### 12th Mission Support Squadron

Joshua Fahlgren

#### 12th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron

Regina Levine  
Jesus Reyes  
Kelly Thomas

#### 12th Medical Operations Squadron

Zachariah Coyner  
Robert Enriquez

#### 12th Medical Support Squadron

Vanessa Dalmeida  
Alejandro Hernandez  
Brock David Hodge

#### 12th Security Forces Squadron

Jessica Clegg  
David Johnson  
Jose Martinez  
Ernest Minyard  
Sterling Moore  
Jana Sautter  
Julian Smith

#### 12th Civil Engineer Division

Todd Isaac  
Jonathon McKnight  
Mario Rainge

#### 99th Flying Training Squadron

Jose Hernandez

#### Air Education and Training Command

Timothy Redmond

Jeff Jackson  
Beau Bertke  
Lynda Chan  
Adam Giessman  
Ricky Nelson  
Doyce Powell, Jr.

#### Air Force Personnel Center

Jessica Perez  
Timothy David  
Winter Dix  
Devynne Herbert

#### Air Force Recruiting Service

Madelyn Waychoff

#### Joint Personal Property Shipping Office

Shannon Banks  
Regina Green  
Jamal Haymond  
Rebecca Kirchner  
Michael Renn

#### Air Force Occupational Measurement Squadron

David Jones  
Patricia Vargas

### Promotion Stats

#### To Staff Sergeant:

Average Score - 269.19  
Enlisted Performance Reports - 131.21  
Promotion Fitness Exam - 57.54  
Specialty Knowledge Test - 52.79  
Time in Grade - 17.32  
Time in Service - 11.12  
Decorations - 0.80

# AETC commander to speak at AF ball

By 1st Lt. Ben Gamble  
Air Education and Training Command Public Affairs

The commander of Air Education and Training Command, Gen. William R. Looney III, is slated to be the guest speaker at this year's Air Force Birthday Ball.

The Alamo Chapter of the Air Force Association hosts the 2005 ball Sept. 17 at The Gateway Club on Lackland. This year's theme is, "Developing Today's Airmen for Tomorrow."

"The exciting thing for people to realize is that changes within the Air Force indicate things are happening," said John Blumentritt, vice president of the AFA-Alamo Chapter. "And an opportunity to hear first-hand about those changes and happenings from the AETC commander is an opportunity that should not be missed."

The event, set to begin at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour,

celebrates the 58th birthday of the Air Force. The ball is sponsored by the Alamo AFA and Lackland's 37th Training Wing. All attendees receive a commemorative coin of the event. Professional portraits will be made for an additional charge.

Cost for pay grade E-1 through E-5 and GS-9 and below is \$20. E-6 through E-9 and GS-10 and above is \$30. All tickets must be purchased by Sept. 10.

To purchase tickets, call 210-928-1153 or contact one of the following organizational points of contacts:

- AETC: Capt. Lisa Dahl, 652-5844
- Air Force Personnel Center: Ralph Chalfant, 665-1109
- Air Force Recruiting Service: Senior Master Sgt. Tony Brown, 565-0565 or Senior Master Sgt. Weldon Selders, 565-0394
- 19th Air Force: Senior Master Sgt. Todd Hittinger, 652-6825 or Maj. Carlos Messer, 652-2564
- 12th Flying Training Wing: Master Sgt. Pedro Lopez-Cruz, 652-6934

### NEWS BRIEFS

#### *AFSAT change of command*

Col. David Snodgrass assumes command of the Air Force Security Assistance Training Squadron Tuesday with a formal ceremony at 9 a.m. in the officers' club.

#### *Federal Premier Lodging Program*

The Government Services Agency announced a special program for lodging of federal government travelers in commercial facilities. Under the name of FedRooms, the GSA negotiated for rates that do not exceed authorized per diem.

This service may be advantageous when planning overnight travel. Details are available at [www.fedrooms.com](http://www.fedrooms.com).

#### *Scheduled power outage*

The 12th Mission Support Group civil engineers announced a power outage scheduled for the main BX, Aug. 15 from 5-9 a.m.

#### *Immunizations required for school*

A record of current immunizations are required for students attending Randolph schools.

For more information, parents should call their child's school.

#### *Law school programs*

Applications are now being accepted for two law school programs.

Under the Funded Legal Education Program, officers and enlisted personnel in the grade of captain or below can attend an accredited law school for a law degree.

Under the Excess Leave program, officers in the grade of captain or below can be granted unpaid leave to complete their law studies.

Interviews must be completed by March 1, 2006. Information is available in Chapters 2 and 3 of Air Force Instruction 51-101. If interested, contact Maj. Olga Singuefield, 12th Flying Training Wing Judge Advocate Office, at 652-5487.

#### *Speakers' bureau needs pilots*

Pilots who enjoy speaking about the Air Force and its missions are invited to volunteer for the speaker's bureau by contacting 2nd Lt. Angelic Cardenas or Staff Sgt. Lindsey Maurice at 652-4407.

#### *Munitions offices closed*

The Randolph munitions offices are closed Sept. 5-9. All requests for munitions for the week of Aug. 29 must be submitted no later than Aug. 19.

#### *9/11 stories*

The American Forces Press Service seeks stories of servicemembers who joined or re-enlisted as a result of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. For details, call Bob Hieronymus at 652-5760.

### Inspector General System

We encourage all Air Force members to use their chain of command to resolve issues. However, we remind you the Air Force has a program that allows you to present a complaint at any level in the Inspector General system.

The program gives you two specific rights 1) No one may restrict you from communication with the IG or those individuals authorized to accept a protected communication under Title 10 USC Section 1034 and 2) You are free to lodge a complaint without fear of intimidation or reprisal.

Give us a call if you have an issue that you can't resolve. We stand ready to help you so you can focus on the mission at hand.

Your Installation Inspector General

Building 100 (Taj Mahal), Room 203 Phone: 652-2727  
Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline: 652-3665

## COMPLAINT SYSTEM

TYPE OF COMPLAINT	REFERENCE	POINT OF CONTACT
Civilian Discrimination (Ethnic, Gender, Religion)	AFI 36-1201	12th FTW/CCD
Civilian Employment and Equal Opportunity		12th MSS/DPC
Appeal of an OPR or EPR	AFI 36-2401	12th MSS/DPMPEA
Correction of Military Records	AFI 36-2603	12th MSS/DPMPs
Military Equal Opportunity and Treatment	AFI 36-2706	12th FTW/ME
Private Indebtedness	AFI 36-2906	Unit commander
Support of Dependents	AFI 36-2908	Unit commander
Administrative Separations (Officer)	AFI 36-3206	12th MSS/DPMARS
Administrative Separations (Enlisted)	AFI 36-3208	12th MSS/DPMARS
Claims against the Government	AFI 51-501	12th FTW/JA
Punishment under the UCMJ	AFI 51-202	12th FTW/JA
Hazardous Working Conditions	AFI 91-302	12th FTW/SE



## Keeping a low profile



Senior Airman Robert Belus, 12th Comptroller Squadron, takes a low crawl position as he prepares to defend the camp perimeter during a warrior deployment exercise Aug. 4 and 5. Randolph Airmen eligible for deployment participated in the two-day training practicing combat skills, chemical warfare protection, use of force and self-aid and buddy care. (Photo by Steve White)

# New \$400,000 SGLI benefits begin Sept. 1

By Bob Hieronymus  
Wingspread staff writer

The Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance maximum coverage goes up to \$400,000 starting Sept. 1.

"That's one of the best bargains the service offers," said Susie Parson, legal administrative specialist for the 12th Mission Support Squadron. "At \$26, this is an excellent program for personal affairs planning."

The SGLI program is separate from the death gratuity, which is payable within 24 hours after the death of an active duty servicemember.

SGLI is handled like any other insurance policy and is designed to provide long term assistance. The large cash payment sometimes presents problems for survivors who are not accustomed to careful planning. For that reason, the SGLI program includes the opportunity for the family members to receive free financial counseling from a commercial company for one year.

SGLI payments are normally delivered within seven business days. The status of taxes on SGLI payments is variable, Ms. Parson said, depending on the person's situation.

Servicemembers always have the right to select a smaller amount of the SGLI coverage, with a proportional reduction in the monthly allotment. Lesser amounts can be selected at the rate of \$0.65 per \$10,000 per month.

Ms. Parson recommends anyone considering this option should talk with her about the option and its consequences.

"Too often it's the younger Airmen who haven't thought through the consequences of this choice," she said. "I try to help them understand the program and what it can mean to their families."

Unexpected motor vehicle and motorcycle accidents are the cause of most deaths in the Air Force today, Ms. Parson added.

"The only way to prepare for those situations is to make sure all your virtual Record of Emergency Data and SGLI documents are accurate and up to date," she

said. "It's one of the best things a person can do for his or her family."

As the wing's casualty assistance representative, Ms. Parson is also prepared to personally visit each bereaved family within 24 hours after notification of a servicemember's death to provide counseling and deliver the gratuity check.

The amount of the death gratuity currently is \$12,420, unless the death occurred as a result of combat, in which case it is \$100,000. The Air Force Personnel Center, however, must certify the duty status of those combat-related casualties on a case-by-case basis before payment is made.

Death gratuity helps with immediate expenses that can arise when the servicemember's pay and allowances are terminated and before survivor's annuity can be started, Ms. Parson said. The death gratuity is always tax free and recent legislation also established a requirement to regularly adjust the amount of the death gratuity for inflation.

People can call 652-2104 or 652-6281 to schedule an appointment with Ms. Parson.

# Twelve students graduate from ALS

The Airman Leadership School class 05-6 graduated on July 29 at the enlisted club. One hundred and thirty guests attended the evening graduation banquet.

Twelve senior airmen completed 24 academic duty-days consisting of 192 hours.

Those who graduated are: Timothy Redmond, Air Education and Training Command; Edwin Crawford III and Jessica Perez, Air Force Personnel Center; Ivan Leal, Eric Gonzales and Nathan Gleason, 12th Mission Support Group; Joaquin Almaguer and Amberlee Mullens, 12th Security Forces Squadron; Robert Enriquez, 12th Medical Support Squadron; Alexander Perez, 12th Medical Operations Squadron; Jose Hernandez, 99th Flying Training Squadron; and Rebecca Kirchner, Joint Personal Property Shipping Office.

Senior Airman Joaquin Almaguer from the 12th Security Forces Squadron received the Levitow Award as the top distinguished graduate. Senior Airman Edwin Crawford III from the Air Force Personnel Center received the Leadership Award. Senior Airman Eric Gonzales from the 12th Mission Support Group received the Academic Achievement Award.

The guest speaker for the graduation

ceremony was Chief Master Sgt. Jeffrey Kallas, Air Force Recruiting Service Command Chief Master Sergeant.

Graduates studied three areas of curriculum: communication skills, leadership and management, and the profession of arms.

During the class, the students assisted Habitat for Humanity in renovating homes for families in need. This was one of the last stages of construction before the family would be able to move in and enjoy their new home.

Graduates must achieve an academic average of 70 percent on two evaluations. The profession of arms

curriculum involves uniform inspections, reveille and retreat ceremonies, drill and a series of lessons on the National Security, projection of air power, national security strategy and terrorism. Graduates must demonstrate an understanding and appreciation for their role in the Air Force mission.

The ALS is affiliated with the Community College of the Air Force through the College for Enlisted Professional Military Education. The graduates are awarded nine semester hours toward a CCAF degree.

The next ALS class begins Sept. 22 and graduates Oct. 26.



# Major accident response exercise hones lifesaving skills



Base emergency responders set up a triage area to take care of simulated injured after a munitions explosion. (Photos by Master Sgt. Leon Roberts)

*Airmen, civilians, and contractors in the 12th Flying Training Wing paused Tuesday from daily routines to participate in a major accident response exercise where a vehicle carrying small arms munitions crashed near the base dining facility. Emergency responders provided first aid to nine simulated injured people. With one person simulated dead, officials also exercised next-of-kin notification and the search-and-rescue team recovered the simulated remains.*



A Randolph firefighter extinguishes a simulated fire at the life skills center.



Airman 1st Class Robert Pierce (left) helps security forces member Senior Airman John Holliday and fellow firefighter Senior Airman Ivan Leal prepare to transport an injured Airman away from the site of the explosion to the triage area.

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☆ The 12th FTW earned a USAF Flight Safety Certificate for 77,800 hours of accident-free flying time from May 6, 1974, to May 5, 1975.

☆ The Randolph Sharks held a swim-a-thon to raise money for team activities and local emergency services. The team raised \$2,041 by swimming laps in a base pool. Of the 40 starters, 27 did at least 200 laps. Jamie Lee, a swimmer in the 15- to 17-year-old class, did his 200 laps in one hour, 10 minutes.

☆ The Randolph NCO open mess sponsored a new recreation center in Bldg. 693 (now the Family Support Center). Pool tables were featured in the game room, a new television set in the lounge and lunches were served.

☆ Lt. Col. Hayden Lockhart was one of four pilots enrolled in the Freedom Flight program at the 560th Flying Training Squadron. Colonel Lockhart was the first Air Force pilot and the

third American pilot to be captured by the North Vietnamese during the Vietnam War. He was shot down March 2, 1965, while flying an F-100. He was repatriated Feb. 12, 1973.

☆ Because of a significantly reduced number of rated positions in the Air Force, rated officers with commissioned service dates in 1969 through 1972 were being offered the opportunity to "furlough" from the service for four to five years. The Air Force Personnel Center reported that 16,000 rated positions were excess compared to the numbers required in 1969.

☆ People of the 560th Flying Training Squadron raised \$1,000 to help resettle former South Vietnamese Air Force Lt. Col. Dam Thoung Vu and his family. Colonel Vu escaped from the communist takeover of his country by flying his military aircraft to Thailand after a combat mission.

BATTLE of the GROUPS

The Battle of the Groups competition kicked off as part of the Operation Summer Survivor: Xtreme Challenge campaign which runs through Sept. 5.

The goal of the competition is for base organizations that belong to 12th Flying Training Wing Groups or Directorates to gather as many points as they can by performing different safety checks or safety related events around base.

GROUP	TOTAL
MDG	3,435.06
OG	2,164.17
MX	1,162.66
MSG	523.11



# Expo helps small businesses bid on contracts

By Capt. Heather Kekic  
Air Education and Training Command Public Affairs

Air Education and Training Command is on target to exceed contract awards to small businesses for the second consecutive year.

All federal agencies must set a goal to award at least 3 percent of its contracts to service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses. The goal was mandated by an October 2004 Presidential Executive Order.

Bobby Watts, director of small business for AETC, said the command is above its goal for fiscal year 2005. "Our goal this year is 5 percent and we are at 7 percent right now."

Wednesday's San Antonio Business Opportunity exposition, which is co-sponsored by AETC, may help increase this percentage even more.

The annual event is held at the San Antonio Municipal Auditorium and costs \$45 per person to attend. It starts at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 4 p.m. and a box lunch is provided.

This all-day affair will feature 35 exhibitors, including major aircraft manufacturers, and address current issues, like construction, that small business can get involved in, said Nancy Villarreal, president of the San Antonio Business Opportunity Council.

In coordination with the city of San Antonio, purchasing agents will be available from Fort Sam Houston, Randolph , Lackland, Department of Veteran's Affairs, The University of Texas and the Defense Contract Management Agency, to name a few.

The event has been ongoing for 10 years and this year we anticipate up to 200 small business owners attending, said Ms. Villarreal. "New small business owners will

receive an introduction to the contracting process with the federal government, the state and the city."

People interested in attending the event can contact Ms. Villarreal at 295-4415.

AETC's involvement in the service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses has not gone unnoticed. Recently, four AETC small business offices were honored by the Department of Veteran's Affairs for their efforts in 2004.

These bases were presented with Champion of Veterans Enterprise Awards for exceeding the 3 percent contract award fee: the 12th Contracting Squadron at Randolph for 3.5 percent; the 81st Contracting Squadron at Keesler AFB, Miss., for 5.2 percent; the 314th Contracting Squadron at Little Rock AFB, Ark., for 5.7 percent; and the 82nd Contracting Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas, for 7.95 percent.

"AETC believes in the capabilities of veterans, and these four AETC operational contracting squadrons are very deservedly being honored for their support to America's veterans," said Scott F. Denniston, director of the Department of Veteran's Affairs Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and presenter of the base awards.

Mr. Watts was also recognized, receiving the Department of Defense's 2004 Golden Talon Award for leading the command in awarding contracts to service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, the only command in the Air Force that achieved its goal.

According to the award, Mr. Watts dedicated his efforts toward significantly increasing contracting and subcontracting awards and for furthering the goals and objectives developed by the Office of the Secretary of Defense in accordance with the Presidential Executive Order.

## Spotlight on Justice

The 12th Flying Training Wing Office of the Staff Judge Advocate announces the following courts-martial and Article 15 actions for the second quarter of 2005:

- Court-Martial**
- ❑ A junior enlisted member assigned to a squadron within 12th FTW was charged with one violation of Article 112a, Uniform Code of Military Justice (wrongful use of cocaine). After pleading not guilty, the member was tried and convicted of the offense in a special court-martial by a panel of officer and enlisted members. The member was sentenced to a bad conduct discharge, confinement for three months, forfeiture of \$823.00 per month for three months, and reduction to the rank of airman basic.
- Article 15s**
- ❑ An NCO assigned to a squadron within the 12th FTW violated Article 112a, UCMJ (wrongful use of marijuana). The member received a reduction of one stripe and 15 days extra duty. The member was then administratively discharged.
  - ❑ An NCO assigned to a squadron within the 12th FTW violated Article 134, UCMJ (adultery). The member received a reduction of one stripe, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.
  - ❑ A junior enlisted member assigned to a squadron within the 12th FTW violated Article 86, UCMJ (failure to go). The member received a reduction of one stripe, 30 days restriction and a reprimand.
  - ❑ A junior enlisted member assigned to a squadron within the 12th FTW violated Art 92, UCMJ (Dereliction of Duty). The member received a reduction of one stripe and a reprimand.
  - ❑ A junior enlisted member assigned to a squadron within the 12th FTW violated Article 128, UCMJ (assault and battery). The member received a suspended one stripe reduction and a reprimand.
  - ❑ A junior enlisted member assigned to Defense Finance and Accounting Service – San Antonio violated Article 134, UCMJ (drunk and disorderly). The member received a suspended one stripe reduction and a reprimand.

# PT uniform coming on board soon

## Special allowance to purchase redesigned exercise clothing ending

By Jennifer Valentin  
Wingspread staff writer

With fitness on the top of most military members' lists, obtaining their new physical training uniform should be a priority as well.

Although a date has not yet been established when use of the uniform will be mandatory, people shouldn't wait until the last minute to buy the uniform.

In October 2004, enlisted members began receiving an additional clothing allowance to purchase one running suit and two sets of shirts and trunks. Officers are required to purchase the uniform at their own expense.

"The allowance for enlisted members continues through September," said Chief Master Sgt. Jeffrey Sergeant, 12th Flying Training Wing command chief

master sergeant. "From that point on, the new uniforms are provided to enlisted members in basic training, and annual clothing allowances will be adjusted to reflect a replacement allowance based on the uniform's wear life."

Early distribution of the uniforms gave priority to those in deployed locations, the chief added. This prioritization was necessary because Airmen aren't able to take civilian clothes to many deployed sites. As a result, the issue of the new PT uniform is a good opportunity, being the primary clothing worn by deployed members when they aren't in their daily work uniform.

"Throughout the Air Force, this uniform serves as a symbol of the increased emphasis our Air Force has placed on cultivating a culture of fitness," Chief Sergeant said. "It also improves morale by allowing Airmen to visibly identify themselves with the greatest Air Force in the world

while they're training to become the most fit Air Force in the world."

The base clothing sales store has a variety of sizes available in the T-shirts and trunks of the new uniform, as well as the pants and jacket, for those who want to get a head start and buy the winter gear early.

"A lot of members are buying the T-shirts and trunks, but we haven't sold a lot of the winter gear yet," said Carr Serrata, clothing sales manager. "We have a lot of each item available, and we're always re-ordering so we can make sure to have the necessary sizes in stock."

It's also important to remember standard saluting rules when wearing PT uniforms, according to wing officials. A member in a PT uniform, if not exercising, should salute another member if they are in their duty uniform. However, two members in PT uniforms do not have to salute one another.



# World War II

## Base mission changes as conflicts erupt in Europe, Pacific

### War Department designates Randolph as hub of war effort, Women’s Army Corps moves in

*This article is the eighth in a series celebrating the 75th anniversary of Randolph Air Force Base.*

**By Bob Hieronymus**  
Wingspread staff writer

As World War II in Europe and Asia pulled America away from its isolationism, Congress authorized the War Department to increase its production of aircrews.

In 1939, pilot production here jumped from 250 graduates per year to 2,000. The pace of training quickly exceeded the capacity of base resources, so a new plan was implemented that used private flight schools and universities around the country to screen and train cadets up through the point of solo flight before they entered military flight training.

Training the swelling numbers of enlisted men to support the pilot training program posed another series of challenges. In August 1940, eight new school squadrons were organized here. That required housing for an additional 1,400 men, so a tent city was set up between Fourth and Fifth Streets East and between A and C Streets. The student housing complex now occupies that area. These enlisted men, and those from a series of new squadrons that followed, went on to become the initial cadres of support troops at many new air training bases around the country that were built as World War II progressed.

Temporary barracks were also built for the Women's Army Corps in the area that today is the playground of the elementary school. The WAC area had quarters for 320 women, complete with their own recreation and messing facilities. The WACs provided administrative support to many of the organizations on base, but they were assigned to one WAC unit for their own administration.

In step with the official War Department segregation policy of the period, a separate area of temporary barracks, mess and recreation facilities was built to house the "Negro Troops." Their area was close to the base supply and logistics buildings and the railroad sidings where many of them worked. Today, the military clothing store and the child development center on Third Street West use that area.

A major feature of the wartime scene was the greatly expanded public relations effort. Although many soldiers were drafted into military service, many others voluntarily enlisted in the service of their choice. The Army Air Corps had a reputation of being one of the best assignments, so the service made an effort to actively recruit people for specific jobs.

Recruiting benefited greatly from the Hollywood film epics made here, such as "West Point of the Air" in 1934, and the two Oscar-winning films, "I Wanted Wings" in 1941 and "Beyond the Line of Duty" in 1942. The latter film chronicled the wartime career of Army Air Corps pilot Capt. Hewitt Wheless, who was detailed to play himself in the movie. The film featured him reprising his

cadet training on Randolph and included many base people as extras. The film's narrator was a young actor, Ronald Reagan, who gained fame later in the political arena.

The Randolph Photographic Office, which worked closely with the Public Relations Office, in 1942, was releasing 150 photographic prints a day, five days a week, for use in newspapers across the nation. With the many training requirements, as well as hometown news releases for individual servicemen, the photographic office was producing 26,000 prints monthly.

During World War II, there were 65 military air bases in Texas. Most of them were built after the wartime surge began in 1939. According to the Air Force History and Museums Program, the expected cost for construction, as authorized by Congress, was about \$3 million each, but the bill was often doubled by the time the fields were up and running. Some fields were built in less than three months with construction crews working overtime and poor quality control, which contributed to the inflated construction costs.

However, after war was declared on Dec. 8, 1941, few people questioned the need or the cost for flight training facilities. In fact, local business people enthusiastically lobbied their congressmen for the bases and welcomed the influx of people and money because the depression of the 1930's still affected much of the country. The economy of Texas was jump started by the sudden influx of war-related industry and especially by jobs related to military aviation.

The day Pearl Harbor was attacked, the Army had 293 Air Corps installations in the continental United States. That number peaked in 1943 at 2,225 and then started to decline as the war wound down. By August 1945, the number had fallen to 1,811,

but in another four months general demobilization left only 429 active installations.

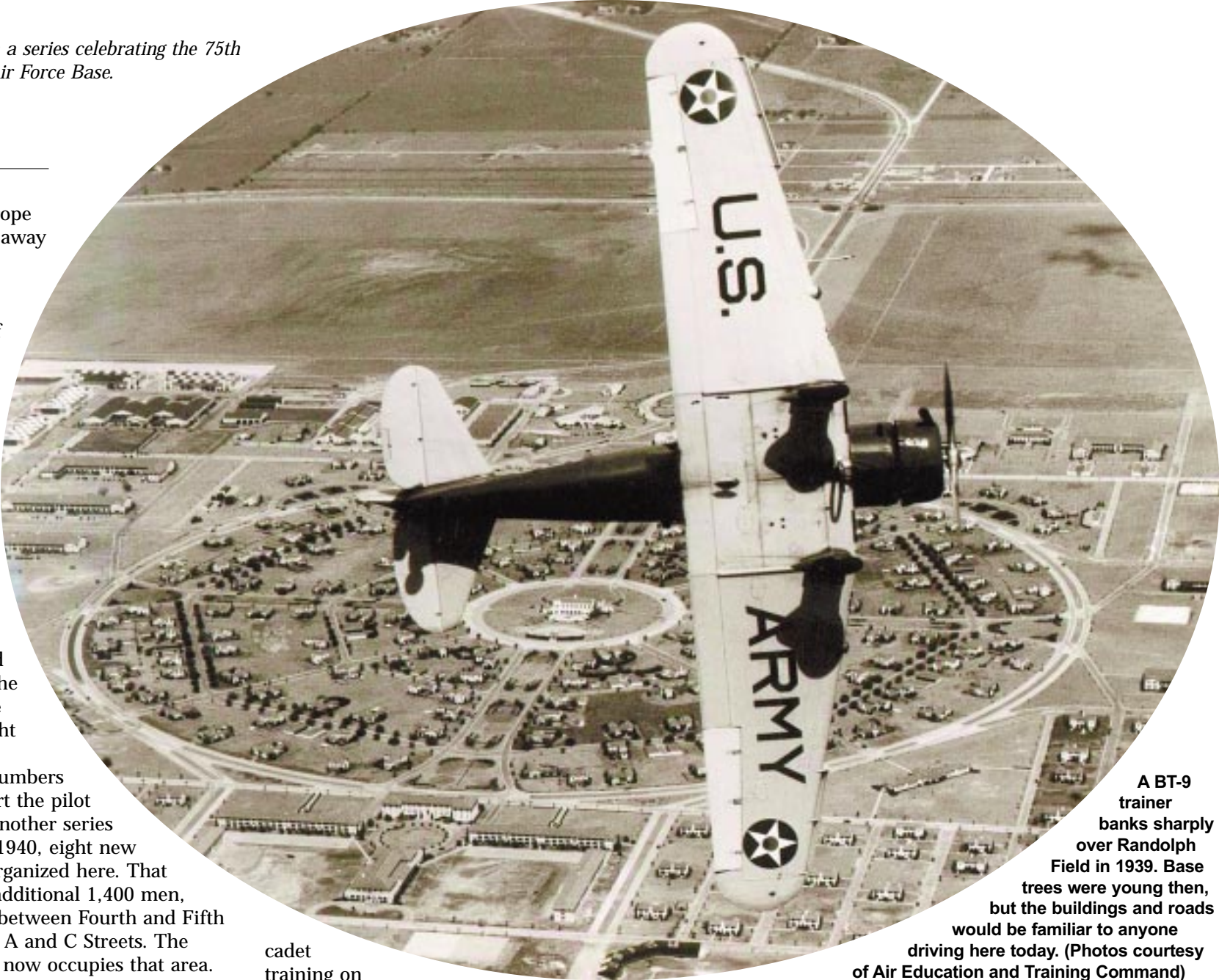
The surging war effort brought many changes to the tasks levied on Randolph's people. Lt. Col. Gabriel Disosway (West Point Class of '33, retired as four-star general in 1968) was the director of training here in 1942 during the time of greatest change. Under his leadership an experimental program was introduced for Class 42-X to train pilots specifically for instructor duty.

The test program resulted in creation of the Central Instructors School here, thus beginning the base's long association with the training of Air Force instructor pilots. The school also trained ground school instructors, tactical officers and commandants of cadets for the many Army Air Corps bases around the country.

With the opening of CIS, pilot training was moved to other bases where thousands of training flights required vast amounts of airspace. Between March 1943 and November 1945, 15,396 instructors completed training here.

Because of the pilot instructor training mission, Randolph's ramps were filled with a variety of aircraft during the war years. Records show there were more than 250 Primary Trainer 13 and Basic Trainers 9, 13, 14 and 15 aircraft. In addition there were small numbers of Advanced Trainers 6, 9, 10 and 11, together with TB-25, P-40 and C-47 aircraft. The Link trainers used to teach instrument flight procedures were also used extensively. Of these, only a Link trainer, an AT-6 and an AT-11 are on static display on base today.

As wartime requirements multiplied, the Army recognized the need for better management of its training resources. The Army Air Corps training system was divided among three geographically



A BT-9 trainer banks sharply over Randolph Field in 1939. Base trees were young then, but the buildings and roads would be familiar to anyone driving here today. (Photos courtesy of Air Education and Training Command)





The first company of Women's Auxiliary Army Corps (later Women's Army Corps) arrive at the train station outside the Randolph Main Gate in April 1943. In the background is Pat Booker Road and beyond that is a temporary family housing area built by the government.

designated headquarters, with Randolph getting the central organization, Gulf Coast Training Command. The GCTC was responsible for air-related training throughout the south central states.

In April 1945, instructor training moved to Waco, Texas, to make room on Randolph for bomber crews transitioning to the new B-29, but the end of the war in August brought that to a halt. The instructor school returned here in November but stayed for only four months when primary and basic flight training returned to the base.

In January 1946, a special military resource management board recommended all pilot training be suspended. One class in progress then was allowed to continue, graduating only 28 pilots in May. Higher authorities quickly overruled the suspension and the pace of training picked up again.

Pilot training consisted of a single-phase, eight-month course during the rest of the decade of the

'40s. The T-6 Texan was the aircraft of choice, although Randolph also hosted units flying C-47 and B-25 aircraft. Training of instructor pilots became a sideline to the main mission of pilot training, a situation that continued until the Korean War brought renewed demand for aircrews.

Once again the pilot training mission was moved to make way for crews of the B-29 heavy bomber. As many as 75 of the big four-engined bombers filled the flight lines here, flying at all hours of the day. Between July 1951 and the end of the program in 1956, 21,500 graduates of B-29 specialty schools elsewhere came here for crew training.

Randolph Field – or Randolph Air Force Base as it was known after the Air Force was formally established in 1947 – experienced many changes during the 14 years spanning World War II and the Korean War. Temporary buildings with their white asbestos shingle walls sprouted almost over night. One group of these temporary enlisted quarters



soon earned the name of "Splinter City."

Some of the temporary buildings are still in use here 60 years later but others were sold for pennies on the dollar as war surplus and found new uses in local towns and farms.

One constant feature, however, was the School of Aviation Medicine. It provided the nation with state-of-the-art developments for the challenges of aviation-related medicine. The school remained here until it was transferred back to Brooks Air Force Base in 1959 after a 28-year stay.

During World War II, the school occupied as many as 57 buildings on the base, providing up to 600 hospital beds in what is now Bldg 675. Today's 19th Air Force headquarters (Bldg. 661) was built as a research laboratory for the school.

In 1939, the school graduated only 32 doctors in its flight surgeon program, but by the time the war ended six years later, more than 4,670 physicians had completed training. During the war, the school also created a research division, a medical research laboratory and a replacement training depot for nurses.

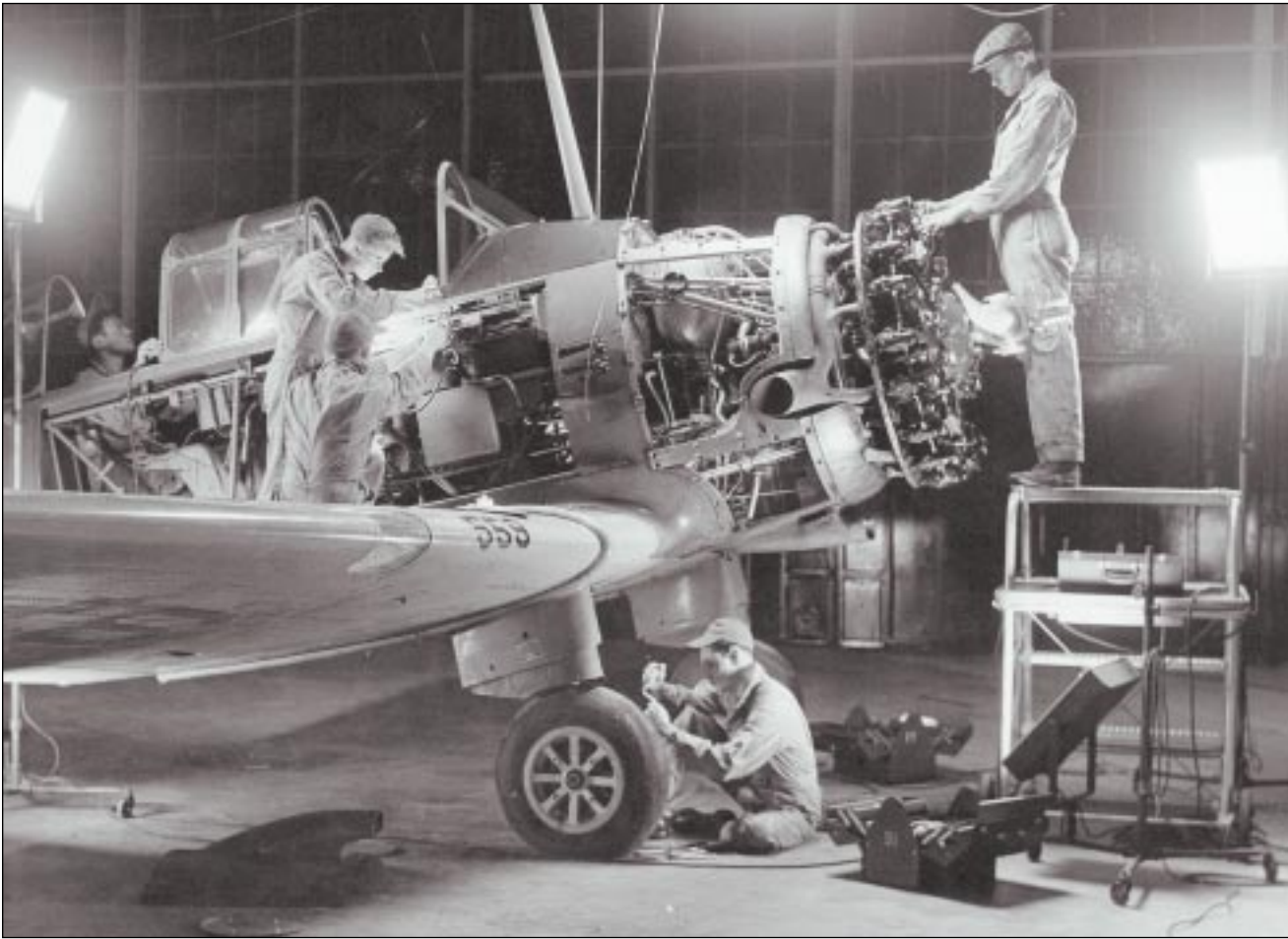
Using the latest in medical and aviation technology, the school organized a special school for training medical personnel in techniques for air evacuation of battle casualties. Statistics showed that airlifting wounded soldiers to properly equipped hospitals in rear areas dramatically increased their chances for survival.

No history of the base would be complete without mentioning its outstanding record in extra-curricular athletics during World War II. As young men left colleges across the country to serve in the armed forces, many schools had to curtail their athletic programs. Military bases, on the other hand, became home to many college and professional athletes. National collegiate athletic organizations ruled that the colleges could play teams from the military installations, so in 1943 Randolph rose to that challenge too.

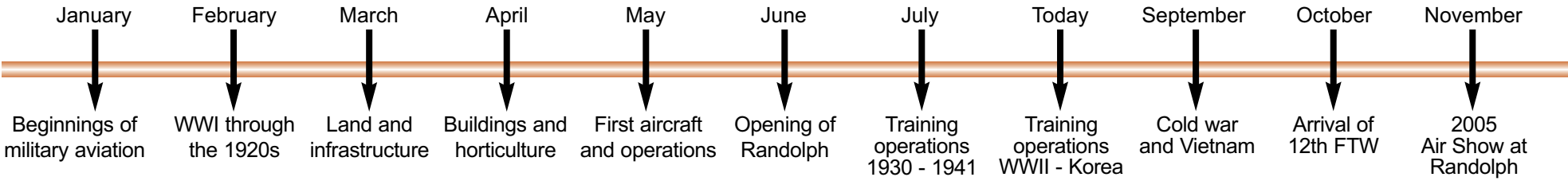
It was not unusual for more than 1,000 fans to pack the grandstand that overlooked Grater Field in those days. Enthusiasm for home-town teams was high in the days before television and the Randolph Ramblers kept their fans entertained.

Coached by 1st Lt. Frank Tritico and sparked by Tulsa University's recently enlisted Glenn Dobbs, the Randolph Ramblers football team claimed a 9-1 record in 1943 and won a berth at the Cotton Bowl. There they tied the University of Texas, 7-7, in a hard-fought match played in the mud.

The next year, they did even better with an 11-0 record, earning the No. 3 spot in the nation, trailing only the Army and Ohio State. The team was led by All-American Bill Dudley, who later was recognized in the Football Hall of Fame. During the 1944 season, the Ramblers scored 428 points while holding their opponents to 14.



Major maintenance on a Randolph BT-9 aircraft in the early years of World War II kept the maintenance crews busy night and day.





# Airman loses stripes, gains bars in drug conviction

By Senior Airman Amaani Lyle  
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

SPANGDAHLEM AIR BASE, Germany (AFPN) – People who raise their right hand in allegiance to the military know this promise inherently calls for resolute fearlessness.

Last summer, however, one Airman's involvement with narcotics made him realize there is a fine line between courage and audacity.

"I just honestly thought I could never get caught," said 20-year-old Airman Jake Hawkins, formerly a 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron pavement and equipment apprentice, now a Mannheim Correctional Facility prisoner.

Airman Hawkins left his family home in Spencer, Ind., when he was 17 with the same composite of nervousness, excitement and hope shared by many young people beginning their adult life.

Now, one of the last things Airman Hawkins hears each night is the latch of the steel door – a constant reminder of his imprisonment for the introduction of Ecstasy onto a military installation, as well as illegal use and distribution of the popular club drug.

Following tips from a couple of his friends and a subsequent investigation by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, Airman Hawkins was apprehended July 29, 2004, in a dormitory sting transaction with an informant.

While he should have been on permanent-change-of-station status this summer to Moody Air Force Base, Ga., his plans were instead thwarted by what he describes as shuffled priorities.

"I've definitely learned my lesson, and my priorities are straight now," Airman Hawkins said. "I'm all about supporting my family."

The stakes were much higher than he thought.

Airman Hawkins said his lapse in judgment cost him the opportunity to see the birth of his twin girls this year. His reaction to the conviction seems almost unexpected in light of the consequences.

"In a way, getting busted was the best thing that ever happened to me," he said. "I still love the Air Force – I just got involved with the wrong environment, the wrong crowd. I was more worried about myself than my future."

The Airman said his future seemed, at best, uncertain once Air Force officials became aware of his drug use.

"Airman Hawkins just about came to tears when he realized that this situation was very real, and he could lose everything he held close to heart – his job, his family, everything," said Master Sgt. Thomas Bathe, 52nd CES' pavements and equipment section chief and Airman Hawkins' second-line supervisor.

"I'm only sorry that when he was first presented the choice to use drugs or not, he didn't apply the standard of responsibility he's now brought to the forefront of his life," Sergeant Bathe said.

This very choice is one that an increasing number of adolescents must make each day. The opportunity to encounter Ecstasy grows in proportion to the staggering rate of its manufacture.

According to the Drug Enforcement Administration's Web site, the administration seized more than 3 million pills in 2000, with most of the pills likely manufactured in illegal pharmacies in western Europe. The drug can make its way into the hands of as many as 10 percent of people ages 12 to 24.

With Ecstasy being detected in more than 900 urinalysis tests conducted by the Department of Defense in 2001, the numbers show that Ecstasy pills are slipping past the gates of military installations just as easily as they bypass schoolyard fences.

Wherever drugs may end up, Sergeant Bathe said the responsibility is ultimately a personal one.

"The time will come when you're caught, but ask yourself two questions first: 'Would my family and God be proud of this?' and 'Would I be willing to take the punishment associated with my actions?'" Sergeant Bathe said.

These actions led up to long days, gang showers, bunk beds and a forfeit of all privacy for Airman Hawkins. With about 12 months of confinement ahead of him before he returns to the civilian world, he stands by his message to Airmen.

"I grew up quickly and learned the hard way," Airman Hawkins said. "If you make bad decisions, eventually you will get caught. Period."

# Career focus program offered on base

By Jennifer Valentin  
Wingspread staff writer

In a world where moving every couple of years is the norm, military spouses often find themselves actively job hunting for employment on base or in the local community.

Researching jobs, updating resumes and preparing for interviews can be very stressful, but the family support center can help by offering a variety of services to assist spouses.

"We can help spouses look for jobs on base, as well as within the local community," said Chris Morrow, family support center community readiness consultant.

The family support center's spouse employment services offer assistance in resume writing, interviewing tips and job searches.

"Spouses are welcome to bring their resumes into the family support center and we can help them update it or work on it," said Ms. Morrow. "We offer a resume writing workshop periodically,

which they are welcome to attend that offers helpful tips."

The family support center also offers interviewing skills workshops to help spouses when they land the job interview.

"During the interviewing workshop, we stress the importance of proper interview skills, how to dress and what to bring," added Ms. Morrow. "A first impression is the best way to land a second interview or land the job itself."

The family support center also offers a workshop that teaches attendees how to negotiate their salary once they receive a job offer or have been at a certain job for some time.

"Our spouse employment services are critical to the stabilization of family finances and to the overall satisfaction with the military lifestyle," said Beth McKinley, family support center flight chief. "Maintaining the spouse's career aspirations along with the military member's, increases the retention rate."

For more information or for workshop dates, call 652-5321.

## Preparing for an Interview

- Dress professionally
- Wear minimal jewelry and make-up
- Wear little or no perfume or cologne
- Bring copies of your resume
- Bring a portfolio if necessary
- Prepare questions you have for the organization

## Topics interviewers cannot ask about

- Race
- Age
- Political affiliation
- Sexual orientation
- Future moving plans
- Plans to have children

*(From the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission at [www.eeoc.gov](http://www.eeoc.gov))*



# Fitness center changes class schedules

By Jennifer Valentin  
Wingspread staff writer

The fitness center is committed to providing a wide array of expertly taught group exercise classes at convenient times to the base population. Starting Monday, the fitness center is making some changes to its schedule of classes offered on base.

"Over the past few months, the fitness center conducted a survey and reviewed class participation numbers," said Patrick Fay, fitness programs manager. "The changes we make to the class schedule leave 42 classes in 10 different workouts, from step to pilates."

The class times that will be eliminated are the Monday and Wednesday 6 a.m. step classes, the Tuesday and Thursday 6 a.m. cycling classes, and the Monday and Wednesday 5:15 p.m. cycling classes.

"We continue to support the Fit to Fight mission, and offer a wide variety of classes, including fitness improvement programs," said Mr. Fay.

The water aerobics class is also not going to be offered after Aug. 31 due to the center pool closing after Labor Day.

"We think these changes meet our calling to address the needs of the Randolph community," said Mr. Fay.

New class schedules will be posted at the fitness center.

"It is very important to us and the aerobics contractor to provide well-balanced, mission essential and trendy exercise classes," said Brigitta Bruehl, director of fitness and sports. "That is why we are removing the classes with low interest and participation to implement future classes and times requested by our population."

For more information, call 652-4311.

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12 CON/AFMA	12	3
AETC/DP	9	5
562nd C FLT	8	6
12 CES	2	14
12 CES	2	12
<u>EXTRAMURAL</u>		
DPP	W	L
AFRS	6	2
AFOMS	6	2
AFMA	6	2
AFAA	4	4
12 CPTS	3	5
DPAA	4	4
12 MSS	2	6
	1	6

	
GOLF STANDINGS	
as of August 5	
TEAM	POINTS
12 LRD	47.5
AFSAT-SVS	47.5
AETC SC/CSS	45.0
AFPC	40.5
AETC DO-IG	36.5
19 AF	35.0
AFMA	29.0
AETC LG	20.5
12 CS	14.0
AFRS	8.5

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**Golf clinic**  
A free retiree golf clinic will be held Saturday from 9-11 a.m. at the golf course.  
For more information, call 652-4570.

**Water aerobics classes**  
Free aerobics classes are held Monday and Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. at the center pool.  
For more information, call the fitness center at 652-5316.

**Cardio endurance challenge**  
Visit the fitness center today through Monday and pick up a scoreboard. This program is open to all Department of Defense identification cardholders ages 16 and up.

## Fit to Fight



The "Fit to Fight" column recognizes Team Randolph members who achieve an "excellent" rating on the Air Force Fitness Test.

**100 percent**  
**560th Flying Training Squadron**  
2nd Lt. Patrick McAndrew  
2nd Lt. Craig Swiger

**90 percent and above**  
**560th FTS**  
2nd Lt. Joshua Cobin  
2nd Lt. Daniel Etue  
2nd Lt. Kevin Kelly